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I am very concerned that Microsoft is continuing to use its monopoly to stifle innovation and competition.

There is an application barrier level for all programmers and competing companies that forces a company to write products that run on the dominant OS. In this case that is MS Windows. This gives MS an incredible advantage and places it on a level with the road network, the electricity grid and other essential services. Sadly, MS has used this power to restrict fair entry for other companies, such as Netscape, Real Networks, Java (a programming language), Dr Dos.

The "Court's Findings of Fact" in the previous civil case against Microsoft section III, B is the most relevant. As a Software Engineer I can assure you that because of its scale, Microsoft IS the playing field, however, it is anything but fair.

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